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In re patent application of

Applicant: Baron et al.
Serial No.: 10/712,978
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For: ADHESIVE ARTICLES WHICH CONTAIN AT LEAST ONE HYDROPHILIC OR HYDROPHOBIC LAYER, METHOD FOR MAKING AND USES FOR SAME
Art Unit: Not yet known
Examiner: Not yet known

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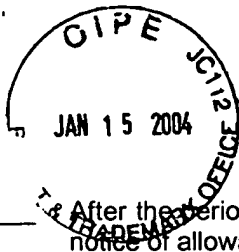
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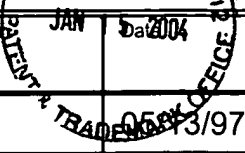
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